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Applying for a visa for France in Thailand

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The appointment booking process remain unchanged, requests should be done directly on the France Visas website: https://france-visas.gouv.fr/

Concerned categories are:

- 1. French nationals, as well as their spouse (married, civil partnership and cohabiting partner) and their children;
- 2. the nationals of the European Union or assimilated, as well as his spouse (married, civil union and cohabiting) and his children, having his main residence in France or who joins, in transit through France, his main residence in a country of the European Union or assimilated or the country of which he is a national;
- 3. third-country nationals holding a French or European residence permit or VLS and having their main residence in that country (if the trip abroad took place before January 31 or was justified by a reason imperious);
- 4. UK nationals and family members benefiting from the Withdrawal Agreement (if the move abroad took place before January 31 or was justified by a compelling reason);
- 5. third-country nationals holding a long-stay visa issued for family reunification (OFII procedure) or for the family reunification of refugees, beneficiaries of subsidiary protection and stateless persons of OFPRA;
- 6. health or research professionals contributing to the fight against Covid-19 or recruited as associate trainees;
- 7. third-country nationals with a talent passport VLS;
- 8. students moving to France for the second university semester as part of a program at a higher education institution; researchers settling in France for research activities requiring a physical presence;
- 9. workers in the land, sea and air transport sector or providers of transport services;
- 10. diplomats serving in France in a diplomatic or consular mission, or an international organization having its seat or an office in France, as well as their spouse and children or third-country nationals staying in France for compelling professional reasons under covered by a mission order issued by the State;
- 11. third-country nationals transiting for less than 24 hours in an international zone.





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All passengers must present to the transport company at the time of boarding:

the international travel certificate accompanied by the appropriate supporting documents;

for travelers eleven years of age or over, the result of a virological screening biological examination (RT-PCR) not concluding contamination by COVID-19, carried out less than 72 hours before the flight;

a sworn statement attesting that he has no symptoms of covid-19 infection, that he is unaware of having been in contact with a confirmed case of Covid-19 within fourteen days before the trip;

a commitment on the honor to self-isolate for seven days once arrived in France, then to repeat a second virological screening test (RT-PCR) at the end of this seven-day period. Attention is drawn to the fact that the costs of this quarantine will be borne by travelers;

a valid passport accompanied by the documents required according to their planned stay (in the event of a short stay - less than 90 days): proof of resources and accommodation and visa if required; in the event of a plan to settle in France: long-stay visa; in the event of residence in France: residence permit.

The aforementioned documents can be downloaded from the website of the Ministry of the Interior:

https://www.interieur.gouv.fr/Actualites/L-actu-du-Ministere/Attestation-de-deplacement-et-de-voyage

When you arrive in France, you should download the <u>TousAntiCovid</u> application, continue to scrupulously respect the barrier and distancing measures, wear a mask and be vigilant and responsible in the event of symptoms or contamination.

In addition, it is also your responsibility to check that the conditions of your return to Thailand are guaranteed, if necessary. The Embassy cannot be held responsible for any difficulties you may encounter when entering Thai territory.

For more information, visit the website of the Ministry of Europe and Foreign Affairs.

Travelers are called upon to exercise good citizenship and a sense of responsibility in implementing the health precautions recommended by the authorities.

If you have any questions, you can contact the visa department at the embassy by clicking here.





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COVID-19 - Arrival in France of travelers from Thailand

New measures concerning the entry into French territory of travelers from Thailand have been announced, in an attempt to reduce COVID 19 virus infection spread

The French authorities have decided:

Following the measures announced by the French government on January 29, 2021, from Sunday, January 31st, 2021, any entry into France and any exit from our territory to or from a country outside the European area (European Union, Andorra, Iceland, Liechtenstein, Monaco, Norway, San Marino, Holy See and Switzerland) will be prohibited, except for compelling reasons: personal or family reasons, Emergency Medical reasons or professional reasons that cannot be postponed.

To attest to one of these compelling reasons, a sworn statements can be downloaded from the website of the Ministry of the Interior (https://www.interieur.gouv.fr/Actualites/L-actu-du-Ministere/ Certificate-of-travel).

They must be presented at the time of boarding to the transport company and be accompanied by the appropriate supporting documents.

Find the press release from the Ministry of Europe and Foreign Affairs on international travel (01.30.2021) by following this link: <a href="https://www.diplomatie.gouv.fr/fr/le-ministere-et-son-reseau/actualites-du-ministere/informations-coronavirus-covid-19/article/voyages-internationaux-communique-du-ministere-de-l-europe-et-des-affaires

- Travelers coming from a country outside the European Union, such as Thailand, will have to present a negative PCR test and a "Travel Certificate to France" to enter the national territory and agree on honor to respect a quarantine of 7 days. Travel Certificate to France can be found by clicking here.
- In the few countries where a PCR test is not possible, an arrival screening system will be set up with mandatory quarantine in a place of accommodation validated by the public authorities.

On the other hand, the curfew in force in France is brought forward from 8:00 p.m. to 6:00 p.m. throughout the metropolitan area from Saturday January 16, 2021 for a minimum period of 15 days.

The aim of the curfew is to limit gatherings where barrier measures are less well enforced and where the virus circulates rapidly while limiting the impact on the economy already strained by the epidemic.

For more information: https://www.diplomatie.gouv.fr/fr/conseils-aux-voyageurs/informations-pratiques/article/coronavirus-covid-19-14-janvier-2021-246406

Given the health context, we therefore invite you to ensure that the reason for your trip is compatible with the travel restrictions put in place on French territory.

For more information, see www.gouvernement.fr.

Protect yourself, protect others: download the TOUSANTICOVID application

For more information, we invite you to consult the frequently asked questions on "France Diplomatie"